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High Point EDC to Host GTCC Small Business Center

HIGH POINT, NC --- The High Point Economic Development Corporation and Guilford Technical Community College are partnering to help small businesses in High Point. The HPEDC has made office space available for the GTCC Small Business Center so that it can have an office in High Point beginning this month.

The center had a location only in the Nussbaum Center on Yanceyville Street in Greensboro. When a new GTCC building on the High Point campus opens in 2003 or 2004, it will house a branch of the Small Business Center.

Loren Hill, president of the HPEDC, said, "Small business owners and entrepreneurs considering a start-up company need resources here in High Point today. These business owners put in long hours with their companies and find it tough to take the time away from their business to drive to Greensboro. We had the space in our office, we know that Guilford Tech does a great job supporting small business, and we wanted to help GTCC expand its work in the small business arena in High Point as quickly as possible."

"Having a place in High Point now helps our citizens, and it also helps our tax base grow as small businesses start up and thrive with the GTCC Small Business Center's assistance," Hill continued.

Dr. Don Cameron, president of Guilford Tech, said "We look forward to working with the High Point Economic Development Corporation in this endeavor. GTCC is very pleased to be able to offer small business owners the opportunity to work with them as they try to grow and develop their business."

Mark Hagenbuch, director of the GTCC Small Business Center, said "We thank the High Point Economic Development Corporation for collaborating with us and offering its office for our efforts. Several hours each week, we can now be in High Point to offer the wide range of small business services we provide."

The GTCC Small Business Center's services include:

- free small business counseling,
- small business courses,
- free business-related seminars,
- computer courses and training for PC and Macintosh,
- referral services and start-up information, and
- a resource library.

The HPEDC is located on the first floor of the High Point Municipal Building, 211 S. Hamilton Street.